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| For: | SELF-ADJUSTING LOCKING PLIERS |) | |
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SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION

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Sir:

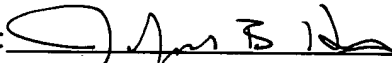
I, Jeffrey B. Hile, whose application for Letters Patent for SELF-ADJUSTING LOCKING PLIERS, Application No. 10/706,012, filed November 10, 2003, in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, as above-identified, reconfirm my previous original Declaration filed with this application and further declare that the subject matter of my amendments filed on March 8, 2005 and April 11, 2005, through my Attorney of Record, was invented by me before I filed my original application, above-identified, for such invention.

I further declare that I have read the above-indicated specification and claims and the amendments indicated and that I understand the contents thereof, including the claims, and the specification, as so amended, and that I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor of the invention as originally filed and as amended, for which a patent is sought. I further

acknowledge my continuing duty to disclose information of which I am aware which is material to the patentability as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56(a).

The undersigned declares further that all statements made on his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Date: April 27, 2005

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